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Summer soiree

Lauren and Richard Margison sing during Highlands Opera Studio's Casual Song Soiree on Monday, Aug. 12 at St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton. Visit highlandsoperastudio.com for their list of summer events. /TIM YANO Special to the Echo



Unknown woman leaves money at robbed Haliburton store

JAMES MATTHEWS

Staff Reporter

Haliburton OPP are looking for two people they believe were involved with a theft from a local store.

Two people allegedly made off with money from the till at Handmade Heaven

in Haliburton on Aug. 9. The theft happened at about 2:30 p.m.

Police say it was one of those distraction thefts whereby one culprit distracts store staff as an accomplice grabs money or goods and they both skid out of the establishment.

At Handmade Heaven, one person lured the employee to the back of the

store as distraction while the other culprit stole money from the cash register.

The two individuals were seen driving a black sedan. One individual is a woman with black hair. The other is a tall, heavy-set man with black curly hair, a beard, and tattoos.

The OPP is requesting that if anyone was in the area during the timeframe of

the incident and saw anything suspicious or has any information, dash cam, or surveillance footage that may assist investigators, to please call Haliburton Highlands OPP at 1-888-310-1122.

Sam Milne, the store's owner, took to social media and said a substantial

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Flying colours
The Pride Flag Raising Ceremony to kick off Pride Week in Haliburton County took place on Monday, Aug. 19 at the municipal office parking lot in Minden. Visit mindenpride.ca for a full list of this week's events. /VIVIAN COLLINGS Staff

Byron the Golden Doodle was wearing his pride sweater for the opening ceremony.

Taylor Abrahamse performs *Ain't Got No Cure For Love*.

HHHSF Radiothon a huge success
Rick Lowes, Moose FM on air host stands behind the microphone this past Friday during last Thursday and Friday's Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation annual Radiothon. This year the Radiothon was raising funds for state-of-the-art mammography equipment for the County of Haliburton. All funds donated this year were double matched! At the end of the day on Friday the amount raised was \$537,279.00! There will be a final total released in the next few days. Standing behind Rick Lowes from left to right – Lisa Brandeis HHHSF Administrative Associate, David Blodgett HHHSF Board Chair, Tayce Wakefield HHHSF Cabinet Chair, Roger Trull HHHSF Cabinet Vice Chair, and Melanie Klodt Wong HHHSF Executive Director. /DAVID ZILSTRA Staff

HE names directors to handle new rental, tax bylaws

JAMES MATTHEWS

Staff Reporter

Highlands East named the municipal directors tasked with enforcing the short-term rental bylaw and its associated tax.

The short-term rental (STR) licensing bylaw, which was passed in April, requires that directors be appointed as part of the legislation. Those directors will also be responsible for administering the accompanying municipal accommodation tax (MAT).

Staff tapped Kim Roberts, the township's junior planner, and Colin McKnight, the chief building official, to be those directors. Brittany McCaw, the municipality's CAO and treasurer, and Adam Rull, the deputy CBO, will fill in should the directors be absent.

"And then, obviously, our normal bylaw enforcement officers are appointed

by the virtue of their position to enforce any bylaws that are brought to council," Roberts said during council's Aug. 13 meeting.

Collecting the MAT is the responsibility of the township's Finance staff. McCaw and Heath Swannell, the deputy treasurer, will account for, audit, and receive payments under the tax's bylaw.

Roberts said staff are continuing to work toward the Oct. 1 launch for both bylaws.

Councillor Angela Lewis asked when the municipality will break the news to the public by way of the township's website.

"I realize that the county is going to take hold of that and go with it, but I'm just thinking that October, just seems the summer has flown by," Lewis said and added that even a portal with answers to frequently asked questions would suffice.

"Just so that people can start getting

ready to get things in order for their application, filling out their application," Lewis said.

In the Doing Business section of the township website, there's a STR page that includes frequently asked questions and their answers, Roberts said.

"We don't have an application up there yet because we do want to make sure that whatever we provide to the public matches up with what is coming from Granicus," Roberts said. "So there's no kind of confusion about two sets of information."

Granicus Canada Holdings will be responsible for monitoring STR operators

on vacation host websites.

They will handle registration and compliance monitoring. They will notify non-compliant STR operators of infractions and the resulting consequences and communicate with municipal staff about non-compliant STR operators.

Granicus will also be responsible for collecting the MAT. And they will follow up with hosts who are not remitting fees and notify municipalities of those delinquent hosts.

"I've been in contact with a lot of operators to give them information," Roberts said.

HE joins province-wide healthcare lobby

JAMES MATTHEWS

Staff Reporter

Highlands East council joined a province-wide effort to lobby Queen's Park for more healthcare resources throughout Ontario.

The Ontario Medical Association (OMA) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) have presented a united front and have asked the province's municipal councils to join the lobby.

In a letter to councils, Kimberly Moran, CEO of the Ontario Medical Association, and Colin Best, president of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, outline reasons why their groups are working collaboratively to advocate for a better healthcare system for Ontario's residents and communities.

"Communities across Ontario have been facing critical health-care challenges, including long waitlists for primary care, shortages of doctors and other health care workers, and emergency room closures," their letter reads.

"These cracks in Ontario's health care system are impacting economic development, health, and well-being at the local level."

According to the motion distributed by the OMA and the AMO and adopted by Highlands East council, the state of health care in Ontario is in crisis. As many as 2.3 million Ontarians lack access to a family doctor. Communities have weathered

emergency room closures across the province, patients have been de-rostered, and 40 per cent of family doctors are considering retirement over the next five years.

It has become increasingly challenging to attract and retain an adequate health-care workforce throughout the health sector across Ontario, they say.

"The Northern Ontario School of Medicine University says communities in northern Ontario are short more than 350 physicians, including more than 200 family doctors," the motion reads.

"And half of the physicians working in northern Ontario (are) expected to retire in the next five years."

They said the percentage of family physicians practicing comprehensive family medicine has declined from 77 per cent in 2008 to 65 per cent in 2022.

Per capita health-care spending in Ontario is the lowest of all provinces in Canada, and a robust workforce developed through a provincial sector-wide human resources strategy would improve access to health services across the province.

Highlands East council voted to join other municipalities and urge the province to recognize the physician shortage, to appropriately fund health care, and to ensure every Ontarian has access to physician care.

"Ontario municipal governments play an integral role in the health care system through responsibilities in public health, long-term care, paramedicine, and other investments," their groups' letter read.

Store owner amazed by kindness

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amount of money was stolen.

"This is a really big hit to our hand-made store as we have been open less than two weeks," he wrote in his post on a Minden and Haliburton community Facebook page.

"As my staff followed the remaining female out of the store, her male partner was already waiting in the getaway car in the middle of Highland Street and took off east on Highland."

It appears the alleged thieves have been busy.

Milne said police have put together

a number of crimes the two culprits had committed over several days in the region.

"We would never let one negative incident overshadow the overwhelming support this community has shown our new store," Milne wrote.

Talk about overwhelming support, a subsequent social media post from him details how an anonymous lady went to the store and dropped off an envelope with "a donation" after she heard about the theft.

"She wanted to remain anonymous," Milne wrote. "This little town amazes me more daily."

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Railway mineral site needs trail work to improve access

JAMES MATTHEWS

Staff Reporter

Highlands East mineral sites continue to be a popular draw to the township.

Joanne Vanier, the township's economic development advisor, gave a snapshot when council met Aug. 13 of development at some of the minerals sites.

She said the Schickler and Desmont claims are popular with amateur collectors and sporadic guided tours at the Schickler site.

"To date, we've still not any notification regarding our lease application on those two sites," she said.

There's a different story over at the Salerno Lake claim where work is slated to be started before June 2025.

"The road that travels through the claim is privately maintained and the only public access is via public boat launch at the north end of Salerno Lake," Vanier said. "That's owned by Minden Hills."

There are currently seven cells to the claim, and each cell annually requires

\$200 of work to maintain it. There is one cell of the claim that could easily be dropped right away on the east corner that covers an area about the size of a picnic table.

"If after the mapping the area we'll have a better idea of what's there," she said. "It might be possible to drop a few other cells on the edges of the claim."

Dropping those edge cells would maintain the claim for a longer period of time, she said.

"I have been advised that this is a rich claim, offering a different experience from Schickler and Desmont," Vanier said. "If we proceed with offering this claim to the public, the municipality will need to discuss access."

"Perhaps we could come to an agreement with the cottage association that maintains the road. The only other access would be the water."

She said it's important to mark the boundaries of the claim to ensure that the collectors respect the adjacent private property.

Mayor Dave Burton said that, when the Salerno Lake claim was staked, part of the experience would be crossing

water to access it.

"We did look into, back that time you'll probably remember, that we knew we were actually trespassing to get to it," Burton said.

"That is just before my time," Vanier said. "I wasn't aware that you had discussed it."

She said water access could be offered with the inclusion of some verbiage in the waiver that indicates that's the only means of access. Regardless, some people will see there's a road and try to use it even though it's a private laneway.

Another site, the Railway claim, is accessed from the Irondale, Bancroft, and Ottawa Railway trail off Farr Road. It's past the new bridge.

There is a road allowance that has been surveyed which leads to the claim through some very hilly terrain.

"I travelled that in 2022 and it was all I could do to get to the claim," she said. "It was about an hour's hike for me."

Work has been done on the claim in 2021-22 to keep it in good standing through 2028 when work will need to be done to apply to 2029 and beyond.

If the township continues offering the site to the public, the municipality will need to work on better defining the trail. Serious mineral collectors would not be deterred by the uneven terrain or long hike.

On the trail to the claim is a cave of interest that will be at risk if more people travel by it.

"The value of this cave is more for aesthetics than the actual crystals it contains," Vanier said.

Expert advice on how to deal with that issue is recommended before the Railway claim is opened to the public.

"I do have access to several people who could give their expert opinion regarding how we could handle this," she said.

Community group brings the beat

Aging Together as Community invites you to an outdoor fun and social musical event "The Beat goes On."

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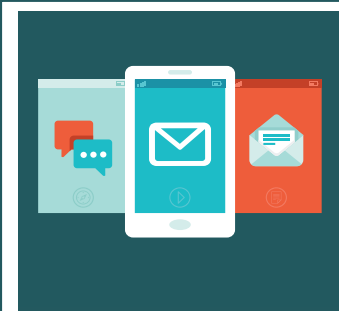
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Celebration of Life for Brent Devolin

The family and friends of Brent Devolin would like to invite members of the community to a celebration of life for Brent on Aug. 23 at the Minden Community Centre. There will be drinks, food, games, live music, and an opportunity to share the stories of Brent with his friends

and family. The drop-in celebration runs from 3 until 10 p.m., and all are welcome to join.

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Call for back to school photos

Send in a photo of your child/children heading back to school with their name and grade for the chance to have them featured in the *Haliburton Echo* or *Minden Times*. Email photos to thomas@haliburtonpress.com.

Free community day at Kinark Outdoor Centre

The Kinark Outdoor Centre (KOC) is pleased to welcome members of the public on Saturday, Sept. 14, , from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to showcase the wide range of programming available for children and youth with complex needs and their families. This free outdoor event is open to all families and community members.

Activities will be available throughout the day, including outdoor rock wall climbing, archery, canoeing, and pedal boating in the morning, followed by a delicious BBQ lunch on the main field. The afternoon will offer some time at the waterfront with activities like canoeing or paddle boarding, and tie dying – attendees can choose their own outdoor adventure!

Address: Kinark Outdoor Centre - 1766 Queen's Line Road, Minden Hills, Ontario, K0M 2K0

Participants are asked to dress for the weather and to bring closed toed shoes and a water bottle. Pre-registration is required for this event. Please contact Elisha Weiss

at elisha.weiss@kinark.on.ca or 705-320-0045 with any questions or to confirm your registration.

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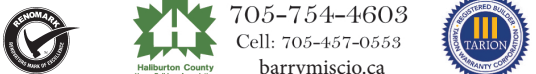
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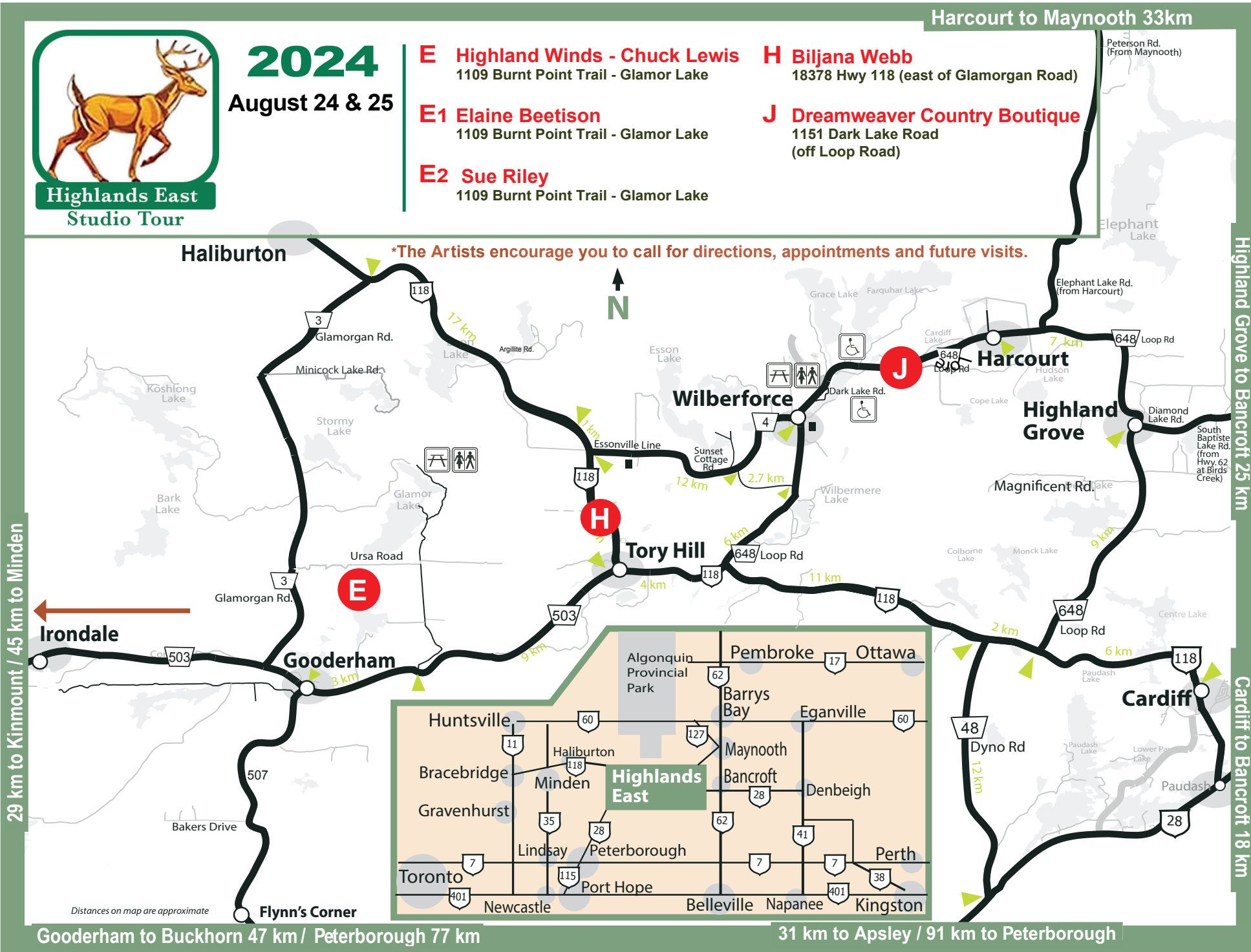
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IT'S PRIDE Week in the Highlands. This week is one of my favourites of the year, not just for the face-value of inclusive, fun events, but because we are shown year after year that acceptance in a rural Ontario community isn't where it needs to be yet.

Like most Pride celebrations and movements around the world, Minden Pride was started as a reaction to a tragic, hateful event.

The Pulse Nightclub shooting in Orlando in 2016 and an act of vandalism to a Haliburton storefront brought the community together to take a stand against hate and to celebrate visibility.

Since then, Minden Pride has grown, reaching each corner of the county.

Sadly, the vandalism in 2016 wouldn't be the last event in Haliburton County to target members of the 2SLGBTQ+ community.

Just last year, I covered the 1 Million March 4 Children protest over gender identity and sexual orientation education in Canada's public schools, and Minden Pride's counter protest in Head Lake Park.

Nearly 100 people from each group gathered on opposite sides of the park.

Although the protest was based around sexual education in schools, there was fear from the community that it would turn hateful against the 2SLGBTQ+ community.

I remember feeling drained and exhausted that day.

I'm sure everyone part of Minden Pride's counter-protest felt the same.

A sign reading, "Destroy the children, destroy the future," among others I won't mention are exactly why Pride Week is one of the most important.

We've come a long way, but we still have far to go in terms of love and acceptance here.

This week kicked off with the flying of the Pride flag at the Municipal office in Minden.

On Tuesday, August 20, Auntie Plum will share stories at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre during Drag Storytime from 3 - 4 p.m.

Catch the opening reception of Voice of Pride from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Cultural Centre, a new art exhibition curated by The Space owner Scott Walling.

Wednesday is Youth Pride Day at the Haliburton County Youth Wellness Hub with a barbecue and other activities from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Queer Comedy Night will light up the stage at Sir Sam' Ski & Bike from 7 to 9 p.m.

Drag Storytime is coming to the Haliburton Library on Thursday at 3 p.m.

Test your knowledge at Pride Trivia Night at the Dominion Hotel from 7 to 9 p.m.

On Friday, enjoy a screening of The Mitchells vs. the Machines at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Dance the night away at the Burlesque Ball Deco-dense at Pinestone Resort from 7 to 11 p.m.

Saturday features a Mad Hatter Tea Party at Hook, Line & Sinker from 1 to 4 p.m.

The week ends with a bang in Minden for the Rainbow Street Festival from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Grab your floaties and join in the River Parade during the Street Festival.

For more information on all Minden Pride events, visit www.mindenpride.ca/events.

All are welcome.
See you this week!



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Editorial



A beautiful Monarch on some JoePyee.

by Tammy Nash

The Great Blue Heron

"THE GREAT BLUE Heron (GBH) stands by the edge of the lake breathing. Waiting patiently. Calm. Still. Present. The GBH flies over the Haliburton Highlands. Strong. Graceful. Flying with ease."

I've said these words hundreds and hundreds of times over my almost 30 years of teaching.

It is from the ancient practice of Qigong, in which we imitate nature as a way of cultivating energy or power, ease and beauty.

As we breathe like a GBH, or imagine ourselves flying with ease it is a body prayer for our own well being, and the well being of the GBH.

In these wisdom practices we always wish for the well being for all of life. All two legged, four legged, feathered, hopping, stinging, swimming in the oceans & lakes beings.

We want all of life to be healthy and strong and free from suffering. Because of this practice I have felt a connection to the GBH for years.

A quiet appreciation and connection that needs no words or interpretation or explanation. Just an acknowledgement that we both belong and we both matter.

And I have loved that connection. Last fall I was on an island in Georgian Bay.

I had been teaching qigong there for over 25 years. On what would be my last time teaching there, I went down to the rock in the early morning to set up for the class.

I arrived and 30 women were all sitting quietly on the rock watching

the dock. A GBH was standing on the dock breathing.

It walked and became still again. And waited. Patiently. Calmly. As a group we sat in silence with the GBH for quite a while. Life appreciating life. So simple.

Eventually the GBH took flight and I began the class. So much reverence for the GBH and all beings as we moved together.

Over the years we had shared the rock with turtles, snakes, and many different kinds of birds. It always felt so special.

Fast forward a few months and I am at the Brooksong Retreat and Cancer Support Centre getting ready to lead qigong at a four day retreat.

I stand on the deck and I say a quiet thank you to all of the life that is there with me. I love these practices that cultivate gratitude.

I lead the class and then everyone heads in for breakfast. I take a quiet moment to pause and breathe and low and behold a

GBH flies down the brook past me.

There are no words. No assumptions. Just a deep appreciation from my heart for the presence of this magnificent bird.

It keeps showing up in my life. I never take its beauty or strength or presence for granted.

It always reminds me to slow down and look. Breathe. Be. I say a quiet thank you to the GBH as it flies past.

Someone once said to me, "if the only prayer you ever say is thank you - it is enough." Thank you GBHs.

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points of view

Sticky situations

THE OTHER day I walked in the house and was greeted by my dog Rosie, who looked like she had just been petted by Edward Scissorhands.

"What happened to the dog?" I asked.

Jenn sheepishly explained that Rosie entered the woods beside our home as a dog and, seconds later, emerged as a mutant – basically, half-dog, half-burr. This caused Jenn to give the dog a haircut, I'm guessing without even asking which style she preferred.

"You couldn't just comb the burrs out?" I asked.

"You had to see it," she replied, as she shuddered.

Rosie, for the most part, seemed no worse for wear. Sure, she no longer had those long, stylish strands atop her head that, when the mood struck, I could twist so they stood straight up to make her look like a unicorn. And I suspect she may have even been grateful for that. Also, the hair on her tail, haunches and back, were also much shorter in some places. Otherwise, she looked just as beautiful as ever.

Even so, the incident troubled me.

"You know you can't do this every time she runs into burrs," I said.

"Why not?" Jenn countered. "What's the worst that can happen?"

I then took off my hat and pointed to what I refer to as "the hair-free zone."

"On the plus side, there isn't a burr in the world that would stick to that," she said.

It was different with Rosie, however. For Rosie is an English Springer Spaniel, which means she is approximately 55 per cent overcoat and 35 percent undercoat. The rest is flesh, muscle, innards, bone, and a stiff upper lip.

Burrs migrate from miles around just to find refuge in her coat. It's like this with all spaniels. In fact, I believe if a botanist ever wanted to discover new species of burr-bearing plants, they should just take a springer spaniel for a quick walk.

Typically, I just comb them out, while Rosie and I watch TV, but I will admit it does take some effort.

The worst part is after seeing my newly shorn dog, I took her out again, and seconds later, she was attacked by another mob of angry burrs.

This time I saw the offender. Rosie was stalked (no pun intended) by a particularly aggressive Virginia Stickweed plant. They don't call it Stickweed for nothing either.

The plant, filled with thousands of little burrs is the bane of a dog's existence. It's probably not very popular around nudist colonies either. Apparently, it's whole evolutionary plan involves sticking its tiny Velcro-like seed-carrying burrs to a dog's coat, so that the dog can carry them elsewhere – in this case – to their owner's beard and moustache, where those seeds, left undisturbed, can grow into new plants and continue the line. Unless, of course, I brush out said moustache and beard by next spring, which is highly unlikely.

The good news is that after de-burring Rosie, and leaving her in the house, I went back out and pulled that Stickweed plant from the ground, and threw it down the hill, where I suspect it immediately found another spaniel to stick to. And, at Jenn's behest, I even combed my moustache and beard.

I only mention this so that perspective dog owners can understand that, though long-haired hunting dogs are great – there's a good reason why we refer to them as burred dogs.



steve
galea

Loon Tales



pic of the past

This week's Pic of the Past was submitted by Wayne Hussey. "The first raft on East Bay of Drag Lake, likely around 1974. The owners Dennis and Dawn Richardson are on board. Dennis was raised in Haliburton and practiced dentistry in Bobcaygeon. /Submitted

letters to the editor

Devolin family thankful for support

To the Editor,

On behalf of the Devolin family we want to express our deep gratitude for the loving, supportive community of the Haliburton Highlands during the strange and unexpected illness and untimely death of Brent. You have helped us enormously in the loss of our son, husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle. Brent's death has left a big loss for us.

We are grateful for the wonderful tributes to Brent in our local newspapers that caught the attention of so many. Our family has been recipients of many loving, caring, thoughtful and practical gifts. We will not forget. Your outpouring of prayers and loving support have encouraged and strengthened us during this long vigil. We know

that we can continue to count on this, as we face the future without Brent.

We are certain that some of you have had questions, as we still do about Brent's sudden illness, resulting in 5 weeks in a coma, and then his death with no conclusive medical diagnosis of what caused it. These words have come to our minds as they have to others:

There is an appointed time for everything; And a time for every event under heaven – a time to give birth and a time to die. (Ecclesiastes 2: 1-2)

Life is a mystery that only God truly understands. We choose to trust Him.

Yours appreciatively,

June and Doug Devolin

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Community Yard Sale

Rotaract Haliburton Highlands is hosting a Community Yard Sale this Saturday, Aug. 24 with all proceeds going towards community initiatives.

Head to 1288 County Road 6, West Guilford from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for some great deals.

Submitted

They’ve got the power

The annual Haliburton Powerboat Races were held on Head Lake in Haliburton this past weekend in partnership with the Toronto Outboard Racing Club and Canadian Boating Federation. Haliburton County locals Brandon Sutton, Wes Hammond, Andrea Hammond, Tammy Everitt, Aidan Coroghly, and Tristan Coroghly competed. /TIM YANO Special to the Echo





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Addyson Parish has been soaring to new heights in track and field. She poses with her gold medal from the Legion National Youth Track and Field Championship last week. /Photos submitted

Addyson Parish wins gold at Track and Field Championship

THOMAS SMITH
Staff Reporter

Addyson Parish has won gold in triple jump at the Legion National Youth Track and Field Championship this year. The championship was held in Calgary, Alberta from Aug. 9 to 11. Addyson also participated in the 4x100m relay and the 80m hurdles.

"It was wonderful. I made a bunch of new friends from across Canada," said

Addyson.

"Triple jump is my favourite," said Addyson. "I don't need to care about going right when the gun blows. The other girls are also really nice."

With runners, they leave after the race. Addyson says that one of her favourite things about triple jump is waiting for her turn. This gives her an opportunity to chat with the other athletes and make friends.

Addyson says that she would like to be involved with sports in the future as

a career, although she is not sure as to what part yet.

"Addyson certainly played her part with her commitment and the work ethic she brought to each practice, never sitting idle. She is a very coachable young athlete and keen to take constructive feedback," said Karen Gervais, head coach and coach of running and hurdles with the HHSS track team.

Stacey Parish, Addyson's mother, says that she is beyond proud of her daughter and that she works very hard. She is well

deserving of her accomplishments.

The Parishes would like to extend their sincerest thanks to Legion for organizing the Legion National Youth Track and Field Championship and for assisting with organizing Addyson's flight and stay in Calgary. The Parishes would like to thank Karen Gervais, Ginny Marsden, Russ Duhaime, Walter Tose and Al Hough for their involvement and support with the Track team at HHSS.

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Blood, sweat, and tears

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Credits: *The Wolves* by Sarah DeLappe
Directed by Tim Nicholson, assistant directed by Hannah Klose
Stage Managed by Christine Carr
Cast: Spencer Zumpano, Viliya Ianovskaia, Jessica McCready-DeBruin, Taliah Dumas-Stephenson, Janice Kiteley, Willow Brown, Ella Leis, Alex Humphrey, Hannah Klose and Sandy Milne.



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5. Coconut palms

10. Rounded knob

14. Japanese city

15. Type of sandwiches

16. A type of shape
17. Son of Shem

18. French modernist painter

19. Grandmother

20. Mammary gland of female cattle

22. Hill or rocky peak

23. Secret political clique

24. Songs to one's beloved

27. "Boardwalk Empire" actress Gretchen

30. Father

31. Chinese philosophical principle

32. Restrict the number or amount of

35. Combined into a single entity

37. Brother or sister

38. Evil spirit

39. Materials in the earth's crust

40. Partner to cheese

41. Of the sun

42. Baseball great Ty

43. After B

44. Place to relax on the beach

45. Folk singer DiFranco

46. Partly digested food

47. Small dog breed

48. Japanese honorific

49. Salts

52. Beard moss genus

55. Mountain pass

56. Type of sword

60. Albanian language

61. Metric weight unit

63. Italian Seaport

64. Longtime late night host

65. Extremely angry

66. Wading bird

67. Days in mid-month

68. Omitted from printed matter

69. Upper body part
6. Delivered a speech

7. Collection of sacred books

8. Theatrical

9. Very fast airplane

10. Arm bones

11. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea

12. __ fide: legit

13. Gemstone

21. Counsels

23. Corporate bigwig

25. Cool!

26. Touch lightly

27. Small Milky Way constellation

28. Satirical website

29. Border lines

32. Soft drinks

33. Capital of Guam

34. Six-membered ring (chemistry)

36. Bar bill

37. Car mechanics group

38. Notable Bill Murray character

40. Health care for the aged

41. Gurus

43. A passage with access only at one end

44. Reduce

46. Spy organization

47. The upper surface of the mouth

49. Plants of the lily family

50. Type of reef

51. Oral polio vaccine developer

52. Mottled citrus fruit

53. Lose

54. Former Brazilian NBAer

57. Baseball great Ruth

58. __ Clapton, musician

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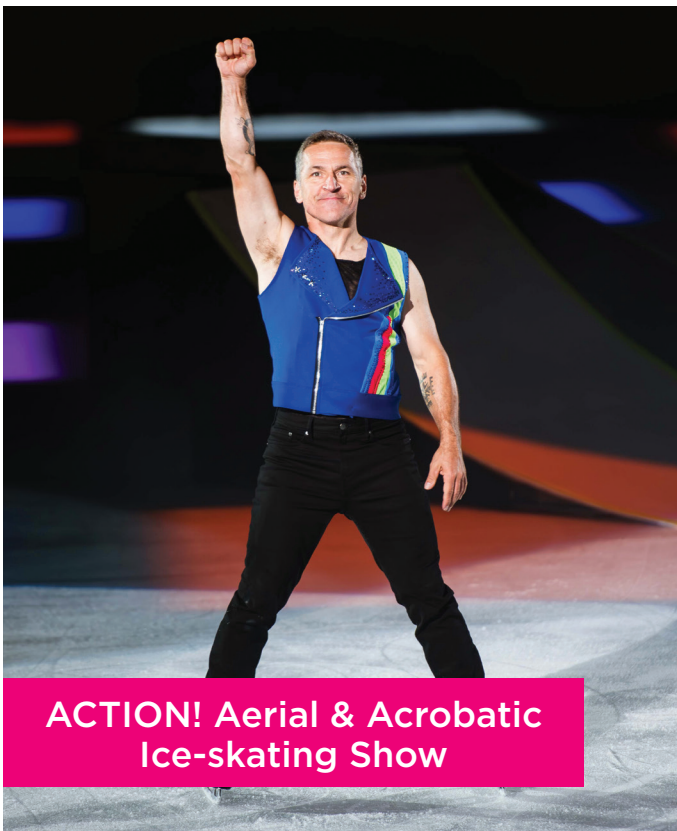
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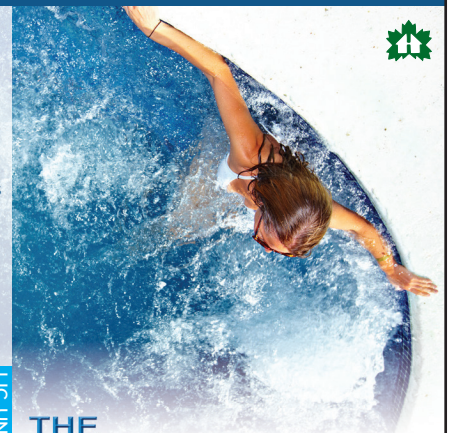
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Children's Grassroots Soccer



Jade 4-6 - Here is The MVP named Ava Jones. She said she likes soccer because she likes running and kicking the ball. Tonight she did a fantastic job at really getting into the game and even had a few breakaways.



7-9 Red - Penelope Irvine - Penelope is a great soccer player! Her skills have grown so much over this season but what makes her a really great MVP is her enthusiasm and commitment to the team. Great job Penelope!



MVP Royal Blue Boys 7-9 - Ander Brown age 7. Every week he is eager to play midfield, helps out at both ends of the field and never seems to run out of energy.



MVP mixed 4-6 royal blue - Desmond Moore



4-6 Cali blue MVP - Rhys Foster



Black team 10-13 Double MVP - Nessie Legge and Claire Ryalen

It was another hot Thursday afternoon as the players rallied onto the field. We are entering the last few weeks of play and these mini-athletes are perfecting their hustle with great enthusiasm. It's wonderful as each coach is able to see the growing skill and determination in all the players as the drills and skill training becomes more routine and rehearsed. The gameplay is always improving and the attitudes are delightful! It's been a stellar summer so far! /Submitted by Andrew Brown



Boys 10 13 White MVP - Jackson Trautman-Coyle



The MVP award for the girls' red team 10-13 goes to both Ruby Mansfield (11) and Lily Smith (12). Both girls played with heart and sportsmanship. The chemistry between them was on fire as they communicated with each other and made every effort to pass to one another. They were both quick to acknowledge each other's strength and cheer the team on. Ruby's favourite thing about playing soccer is the teamwork and working hard. She loves meeting new friends and learning new moves. Lily's favourite thing about playing soccer is getting to play with her friends and being part of a team. Great job, girls!



Boys 10 13 White MVP - Linus Gervais for his excellent ball control and passing throughout the game!

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Location: Haliburton United Church -10 George St, Haliburton ON, KOM1S0

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Waiting for the fun to start:

Games are always a highlight of the annual picnic and fun day for Canning Lake cottagers, and when the youngsters had earned their prizes, it was time for the adults to get involved in zany races and share some laughter with their lakeside neighbours. **More on page 9**

Digital mapping may come to the rescue

DIANA ZLOMISLIC
Staff Reporter

In an emergency, privacy can be a dangerous thing when your house is tucked into a corner of a forest only you and your nearest neighbour (10 km along the winding path) know how to get to.

That's where really good, up-to-date maps come in.

Driven by his passion for cartography, Stephen Foster, is trying to get cottagers' associations organized so that even properties out in the "boonies" can receive emergency attention promptly.

Foster, a director of the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations, held a public meeting at the Dysart communi-

ty centre recently to discuss the need for a newer, technologically based mapping system in the county.

Haliburton is one of four regions covered by the Lindsay dispatch area for the Ministry of Health. For each of these regions, an emergency response atlas is available for ambulances and dispatch officers to help

them pinpoint the caller's location.

The problem is that Haliburton's maps in the Ministry's files haven't been updated since 1987.

Since the government is no longer responsible for maintaining accurate maps, FOCA has created a program called "Cottage Where" which would

address the mapping issue.

Working with the Ministry of Health, Foster says FOCA will issue updated, digitalized maps if cottagers' associations are willing to put in some driving time.

Foster proposed that members of these associations literally

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Strike ends as VON nurses sign two-year contract

MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

The Victorian Order of Nurses and its Registered Practical Nurses reached a two-year settlement late last week, bringing an end to the RPNs'

almost month-long strike.

The RPNs went back to work starting August 2.

Because of the long weekend holiday, details about the contract settlement were difficult to ascertain.

However, a Friday afternoon

press release from Marion Schwiebert, president of the Peterborough, Victoria and Haliburton VON's board of governors, says "I would like to congratulate the VON and

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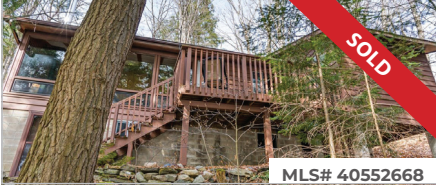
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